

Applicant: Kay et al.
Application Serial No.: 09/650,055
Filing Date: August 29, 2000
Docket No.: 1040-5
Page 3

REMARKS

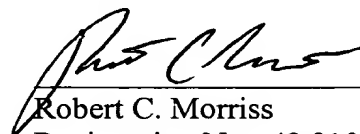
Claims 1-5 and 7-48 are pending. In the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that all of the pending claims are allowed.

The Examiner further indicates that the application is in condition for allowance, but objected to Figures 6 and 7. As Figures 6 and 7 have been deleted by the above amendment, it is respectfully submitted that the objection is now moot and should be withdrawn. Applicants' have also amended the specification to correct typographical errors and to conform Example 3 to Figure 1.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the application as amended, including Claims 1-5 and 7-48, is now in proper form for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited. If resolution of any remaining issue is required prior to examination of the application, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert C. Morriss
Registration No.: 42,910
Attorney for Applicant(s)

HOFFMANN & BARON, LLP
6900 Jericho Turnpike
Syosset, New York 11791
(516) 822-3550
RCM/jp
174351_1